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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

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Brandt, Kevin S. Gaines, Patrick J. Stinchcomb, Dan T. Wisnewski, Nancy

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For: "FLEA HEAD, NERVE CORD, HINDGUT AND MALPIGHIAN TUBULE NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES, PROTEINS AND

**USES THEREOF"** 

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Examiner: Vogel, Nancy T. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS

Group Art Unit: 1636

BEING FACSIMILE TRANSMITTED TO EXAMINER
NANCY T. VOGEL, PhD, FAX NO. 703-872-9306, ADDRESSED
TO MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, COMMISSIONER FOR
PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, THIS 20TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2004.

> HESKA CORPORATION Theresa A. Brown, Esq.

Applicants respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) of one (1) month to respond to the Office Action (Restriction) with a mailing date of October 20, 2004, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from November 20, 2004 to December 20, 2004.

Applicants claim small entity and authorize the one-month extension fee of \$55 to be charged to Deposit Account 081930. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 081930.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: December 20, 2004

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